

New Bedford April 26th 1839.

Friday morning

My dear Anne,

I received the package from Weymouth safe and sound on Tuesday night and was very glad to hear, though your letters were not quite so interesting as when they come from Boston. I suppose you have got the bundle I sent by Mr Collins before this time. I should have written more about the meeting, only I forgot you would be at Weymouth, & thought you could ^{get} Collins or Garrison ^{to} tell you the whole matter. The meeting was an excellent one, only there was not the excitement of uncertainty about it for there were only 5 speakers present, & that every body knew. Brandeall & Wise fought like badgers — Wise in particular — his was real venom — Durfee only said enough to clear himself & was evidently feeling very badly — not that he repented, but he felt bad at being found out, and regretted old times, and felt painfully that he was not in the real cause. You would have been surprised to see how anxious that Saunton board were to undo in a quiet way all that they had done — They all acknowledged that they thought they had done wrong in passing those resolutions & they were all ready to renounce St Clair — By the way where is St Clair now — I don't believe the National will be able to get along with him a great while — they must know how much he injures them — I need say nothing about the resolutions passed, for I suppose to-morrow's Liberator will give it in full — Andrew Robeson stood by the meeting faithfully — was there every moment — I, Collins & Garrison dined with him, he invited Sam Rodman to meet them — you know there was talk of Wendell's coming — well some of the abolitionists here who had

I was anxious to hear of Aunt Phoebe's business — I shall have a chance to send to Boston soon — I have reviewed \$2.00 more for the cause — in haste
Yours

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read "the martyr's age" - thought there was no place
good enough for him to stay in but Andrew Roberson's, &
a proposition to that effect was contemplated, till so
longden declared that the place that was good enough
for Garrison, was good enough for Wendell Phillips -
I wrote to you (or rather to Charis, Thursday afternoon
and ^{then} took tea at the longdens with bro Collins - I
was charmed with him. He is a perfect jewel - I must
say I should like to own him myself - Pleasant as
the evening was, it brought on a terrible fit of hoarse-
ness which lasted till yesterday - when I discovered
that in about three weeks I should have my vacation
and that rather comforted me - The Howlands will
be gone a fortnight to New York certainly & they may
be three weeks - As soon as it is decided what day I
shall come I will let you know - I think I shall
go straight to Boston, for I never can stand a long
days ride in the stage when there is a railway -

Saturday morning Mr Wilson the Methodist minister
who used to preach here called to see me & as he is
an abolitionist, I had much talk with him about
the state of the cause - He was rather ignorant, but I
gave him papers & explained as much as I could
concerning ~~the state of the cause~~ ^{matters & things}, at the same time
giving Wise & Brandall their dues - I hope he will go
right - It would be such a miracle for one Methodist
minister to be saved that I long to keep him -

Sunday I went to the Methodist church in the morning
& heard Mr Wilson & gave him a number of tracts -
In the afternoon I went to Mr Holmes & heard a little
Mr Chesnut of Andover who is preaching on trial. He came
with a great reputation, but I did not think much of him -
He is a nephew of Jeremiah Masons & engaged to Mrs
Wisner's sister - Old South Mrs Wisner - I am propounded
to take tea with him at the Emersons to night - Those
papers about the fair which you sent me I am going
take over to Fairhaven to-morrow afternoon, & see if

any thing can be done there - I am almost afraid to
see sister Drew, but I think I shall call - Between her
peel & her love of fashion I dont know what she
will do - nothing though I guess - Last night - I
went to a party at Sam Podmans - quite a large
one - Sam seems in a very good way in regard to
abolition. Charles Morgan I like very much, but he I
fear is swayed about by every wind of doctrine Maria
said she would send me Elizabeth Heyricks pamphlet
& some colonisation papers - Wont you push her up
to it every time you write, till she sends them, for
I told Sam last night I would get it for him -
I wore very white muslin & the Ben Podmans brought
me home, they are very polite indeed to me &
take pains to be kind - I had some talk with Mr
Peabody - Mrs Peabody is a very pretty, gentle, pleasing
woman & that is all - She little that he said I
liked very much - He spoke about poetry in a
twisting way that I cottoned to. He is called a very simple
hearted man here - but there is much more in
him than he has credit for. I think he has a
great deal of that sort of sense which is J. St. Parkers
distinguishing characteristic - He knows that the
safe side is to read the anti-slavery notice & to
sign the anti-slavery petition - & that nobody can
get him any farther unless he chooses - Is Maria
going to N. York? & is any exertion making about the
Philadelphia meeting, the convention I mean -
What is the story about Mrs Ordway that you mentioned
in one of your letters? have the moral reformers
dismissed her on account of her abolition's, write as
soon as you get this & tell me any & every thing that
you hear, for letters & the Liberator are the only comfort - I
have - I am glad that you are going to see Mrs Hanson
for she always seemed to me like a woman that some-
thing could be made of Has any thing been heard from
Lucretia - Emma says she is not coming home with

the Penniman's. Tell Aunt Mary I was much obliged
 to her for writing, but no one has written me a word
 about Wendell's visit - where did he stay? & what
 are the particulars? write them all - Give much
 love to Emma & little Henry. I am rejoiced to hear
 that little is doing so well. Don't let him in nose the
 streets, & bring him up as much like a girl as you
 can, that is to say like the girls of our family. I should
 feel much easier if you were in Boston - I wish
 you would stay there, not altogether on my

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Miss Anne Warren Weston.

Weymouth

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own account, but on chorisis, for it must
 be a great help to her to have you - She
 I believe comes to night - what a blessing
 I can hardly wait for it - You will get this
 letter to-morrow afternoon. I do write imme-
 -diately for I can put no dependence upon the
 Bostonians now. They go too much by the
 workings of the spirit for me love to all - ever yours

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